

Curriculum Vitae
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Education

Master of Public Policy, 2007

University of California Berkeley, Goldman School of Public Policy

Multiple subject teaching credential (California, no longer active), 2004

San Jose State University

Bachelor of Arts, 2003

University of Texas at Austin, College of Liberal Arts, Plan II and History

Professional Experience

Assistant Commissioner, Project Management and Improvement

Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

2020 – 2024

- Founded and organized a new office to support planning, project management, grant management, and process improvement. Developed vision, goals, and standard practices, with a focus on stakeholder engagement, agile methods, and continuous learning. Grew office from 3 to 21 staff to meet internal demand for services to support high-priority initiatives.
- With agency leadership, developed internal strategic architecture, routines for engaging unit leadership, and systems for measuring and tracking progress to goals. Served as champion and spokesperson for strategic planning within agency.
- Designed and delivered weekly professional development opportunities for staff members and leaders, and periodic agency-wide sessions, to support staff learning, project success, and organizational culture.
- Provided leadership, regular coaching, and meaningful feedback to direct reports and teams.

Deputy to the Senior Vice Provost for Enrollment Management and Student Success

The University of Texas at Austin

2018 – 2020

- Supported executive communications from Senior Vice Provost and Office of Enrollment Management, with university leadership, leaders of units within EM, 400-person staff, and external stakeholders.
- Led campus committees and engagement to steer work in strategic areas, e.g. the design and creation of Texas One Stop, the development of financial aid commitments, the design of the Admissions Welcome Center, and hiring of key leadership positions.

- Supported planning and managed projects aligned with strategic goals.

Associate Director, Faculty Innovation Center (Center for Teaching and Learning)

The University of Texas at Austin

2013 – 2017

(Project Management Lead 2014 – 2015; Project Manager 2013)

- Supported creation and sustainability of Provost Teaching Fellows program, designed to foster culture change around teaching at a research institution.
- Managed Curriculum Innovation grant program to enable curricular improvements, and developed, implemented, and iterated grant-management process for a portfolio of 25 diverse projects.
- Supported the Center through a major reorganization and significant leadership changes, establishing new systems that capitalized on staff strengths while reorienting the work toward new goals.
- Managed projects aligned with strategic goals, e.g. development of online and hybrid courses and curriculum.

Senior Research Associate and Project Manager

MPR Associates (now RTI International)

2007 – 2012

Designed and developed tools that enabled educators and policymakers to make sense of longitudinal data connecting secondary student experiences and achievement with subsequent postsecondary outcomes. Projects included a 3-state pilot in collaboration with the National Student Clearinghouse, funded by the Gates Foundation, and a Hewlett Foundation-funded project focused on the California pipeline from 7th grade through higher education.

- Coordinated the work of team members in multiple, distributed organizations and agencies across the country, including state and local education agencies, nonprofits, and foundations.
- Led and contributed to business development teams to identify and seek new opportunities for growth; led development of plans, budgets, and proposals.
- Created and monitored budgets, work plans, and tasks; developed and implemented communication and stakeholder engagement plans.
- Interpreted and presented complex quantitative data in meaningful and actionable formats, and developed written, visual, and video materials to support understanding and use.
- Contributed to design and implementation of program evaluations in educational contexts, including workforce development programs, career technical high schools, and a middle school math intervention.

Policy and Data Analyst

The Education Trust–West

2006 – 2007

Wrote research and analysis-based reports and presentations to respond to current events and shape the public and policymaker dialog around education policy, particularly with regard to equity and access.

Teacher and Department Chair

Fischer Middle School, Alum Rock Union Elementary School District 2003 – 2005

Taught 7th and 8th grade language arts as member of highly selective national service corps (Teach for America).

Publications and Presentations (selected)

Hall, Leslie and Brad Love. "Engaging Students and Faculty in Design." A presentation at the Association of American Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers' Strategic Enrollment Management Forum, 2019.

Hall, Leslie, Art Markman, and Keyana Scales. "Starting and Sustaining Change." A presentation at the Chief Enrollment Officers Forum at the National Association of College Admissions Counselors, 2018.

Hall, Leslie. "Design Thinking for Texas Teacher Externships." A workshop designed for project directors of the Texas Teacher Externship Program, 2017.

Davis, Patrick and Leslie Hall. "The Provost's Teaching Fellows Program at the University of Texas." A presentation at the Lilly Conference: Evidence-Based Teaching and Learning, 2016.

Corliss, Stephanie, Leslie Hall, and Josh Walker. "What We're Learning About Teaching from Online Course Design." A presentation at the Lilly Conference: Evidence-Based Teaching and Learning, 2015.

Elementary and Secondary Education in Science and Engineering Indicators: 2012, with staff from NSF and MPR, an indicator report prepared for the National Science Foundation (NSF), 2012.
<http://www.nsf.gov/statistics/seind12/>

Advance: Using Data to Improve College Readiness and Success. Web product of the National Student Clearinghouse Three-State Pilot, 2011.

Hall, Leslie, Patrick Simon and Afet Dundar. (July 2011). "Postsecondary Data for a K-12 audience," a presentation at the 2011 NCES Summer Data Conference.

Pfeffer, Jay, Leslie Hall, et al. Texas Data-Driven Policy-Making Study: A Strategic Plan for a State Longitudinal Education Database. Prepared for the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and the College for All Texans Foundation. February 2010.

Pfeiffer, Jay, Leslie Hall and Ruben Garcia. (March 2010). "Making Connections: Linking Education and Workforce Data," a presentation at the 2010 NCES Winter MIS Conference.

Hall, Leslie, Laura Horn and Terrence Willett. (December 2009). "Measuring Success, Making Progress," a report and interactive website exploring college readiness, enrollment, persistence, and success, with a focus on community colleges.

Turning Data Into Evidence: Designing an Effective Education Data System for California. The Education Trust–West, May 2007.

References

Professional

Lori Fey, Deputy Commissioner (retired), Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Rachelle Hernandez, Vice Provost for Student Affairs, Johns Hopkins University

Jim Love, Senior Director, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Academic

Cynthia LaBrake, Director Office of Personalized Professional Success, University of Texas Medical Branch Health Education Center

Brad Love, Associate Professor, Moody College of Communication, University of Texas at Austin

Julie Schell, Assistant Vice Provost of Academic Technology, Assistant Professor of Practice, Department of Educational Leadership and Policy and School of Design and Creative Technologies, University of Texas at Austin